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In re Application of:) Group Art Unit: 1645
SAID EL SHAMI) Examining Attorney:
Serial No.: 09/036,819) S. Devi, Ph.D.
Filed: March 9, 1998) Date: December 6, 2002
For: METHOD FOR MEASURING FREE) Pasadena, California
LIGANDS IN BIOLOGICAL)
FLUIDS, AND ASSAY KITS)
FOR MEASURING SAME)

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Please delete claim 55 in favor of the following:

Claim 56. A method for determining the concentration of the free testosterone in a biological fluid, wherein said free testosterone is in equilibrium with testosterone bound to one or more endogenous binders in said fluid comprising the steps of (a) forming a mixture